DEREK PRINCE FALSE TEACHER WOLF IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING!!!

THE SHEPHERDING MOVEMENT HERESY

Derek Prince (1915-2003), was a well-known Bible teacher and author and founder of Derek Prince Ministries International. He was born to a British family in India and he had an impressive résumé as well as a commanding personality. He was highly intelligent and educated as a scholar of Greek and Latin at Eton College and Cambridge University in England and he held a Fellowship in Ancient and Modern Philosophy at King's College. He also studied Hebrew and Aramaic, at Cambridge University and the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. His daily radio broadcast, Derek Prince Legacy Radio still broadcasts to audiences around the world and his teachings are regularly broadcast on apostate channels like God TV, TBN and Revelation TV.

Derek Prince has the dubious reputation as one of the founders of the unmitigated disaster known as the Shepherding Movement. From 1970 the so called ***"Fort Lauderdale Five"*** **(FL5) - Derek Prince, Don Basham, Bob Mumford, Charles Simpson and Ern Baxter (former Campaign Manager for proven false prophet and heretic William Branham)** worked together in what they termed *"covenant relationship*". The Shepherding Movement (also known as the Discipleship Movement) operated primarily in the United States, though the teachings were distributed worldwide through the Christian magazine 'New Wine'.

Right from the outset the FL5 committed heresy by *going beyond what is written* (1 Corinthians 4:6) by entering into an extrabiblical ***"covenant relationship"*** with one another. The New Testament tells us that on conversion believers have entered into the New Covenant with Jesus Christ - by default believers are also in covenant with one with another. The grace of the New

Covenant, the in-dwelling of the Holy Spirit, and faith are sufficient - we should never add to the scriptures (Deuteronomy 4:2; Proverbs 30:6). In other words, this idea of *"covenant relationship"* was a direct usurpation of the New Covenant and a denial of the cross of Christ. The fleshly idea of *"covenant relationship"* (as with other false teachings of Derek Prince) finds its theological precedent in the Old Testament *not* the New. In their arrogance and pride the FL5 proceeded to inflict their oppressive regime onto unsuspecting believers with disastrous results. Shepherding was initially introduced in 1973 by the FL5 at a Christian Growth Ministries (CGM) conference in Leesburg, Florida; it was then enlarged upon at a further CGM men's gathering in Montreat, North Carolina in 1974. This evil movement focused on a regime of extreme authority and submission within the church which later became known as ***"heavy shepherding"***. Ironically the FL5 were incompetent to address the faults they alleged existed within the Charismatic Movement i.e. *"individualism and lack of maturity"* due to either their own inability or unwillingness to live and walk by the Spirit (Galatians 5:25-26). James 3:1 tells us with very good reason that few within the body of Christ should be teachers. **Many people wonder why the charismatic movement is in its current state of failure and apostasy today – this is because it was derailed from the outset by self-elected leaders who were more interested in appeasing Rome and their own aggrandisement than truly following the Lord!**

Bill Ligon gives a graphic example of the abuses of the Shepherding Movement in his book: Discipleship: The Jesus Way (Logos, 1979):

"One teacher stated in an article in 1974 that since the purpose of a true disciple was to carry out the will of Jesus Christ, 'his own will must be broken.' To do this, the teacher proposed that the disciple learn to obey his leader as a slave, not 'knowing the 'why' of it.' Then, he said, the day of recognition would come when his leader would tell him 'Now you are ready.' A true disciple, he said, could not be promoted or minister beyond 'the recognition of his leader.'" (p. 221)

EARLY BETRAYAL: THE FL5 FORMED A SECRET COUNCIL AND AN ECUMENICAL ALLIANCE IN 1974!

The alleged purpose of this unholy alliance was *"to strengthen the shepherding system across the denominational lines."* Later on the Council included **Roman Catholics Paul DeCelles and Kevin Ranaghan (People of Praise)** and **Cardinal Suenens** among others:

"In 1974 Martin and Clark teamed up with the 'Fort Lauderdale Five' (Bob Mumford, Charles Simpson, Derek Prince, Don Basham & Ern Baxter – former secretary to William Branham), who were the founders of the Shepherding Movement, which later became known as the Charismatic Movement (yes, friends, the Shepherding came first!). They were joined by John Poole, another latter Rain adherent. Together these men established a group for ecumenical renewal.

A council was elected whose existence was kept secret as it was not acceptable at the time for Protestants to 'labour in the Gospel' with Catholics. For the fledgling Shepherding Movement the money and power of the Vatican were attractive: for Martin and Clark it was a golden opportunity to begin implementing the ecumenical and Charismatic aspirations of Vatican II".
http://www.christiandoctrine.net/doctrine/articles/article_00171_the_charismatic_movement_web.htm

In 1977, the FL5 secretly met Cardinal Suenens in the Holy Land where they made a joint covert declaration to work together for the restoration of the unity of the Church. The council agreed to relate directly to **Cardinal Suenens** and to consult him before planning or implementing projects, evangelism, etc. **In other words, the FL5 sold out and capitulated absolutely to Vatican control!**
https://www.scribd.com/document/56951091/Meeting-Minutes-of-THE-COUNCIL-1974-1977
The General Council Minutes of The *"Ft. Lauderdale"* Elders makes very interesting reading! This document was obstructed and suppressed for a long time for obvious reasons: *"The fuller picture is how these men wove themselves into a multi-apostasy which includes the RCC, the mother of whores."*
http://www.seekgod.ca/gc.htm

In 1983 Derek Prince withdrew from the Shepherding Movement due to *"reservations"*. He publicly expressed regret about his involvement and the FL5 managed to pull off a classic blame shift onto other leaders down the line. However, Derek Prince had not yet finished inflicting his doctrines of demons onto believers by any means.

1984 ONWARDS

The divisive subject of demonology and deliverance first raised its ugly head in 1971 at the first leaders meeting of the FL5 in Seattle when it caused controversy.

After leaving the Shepherding Movement Derek Prince was completely delusional - he said that his ministry *"exploded"* from 1984 due to God's blessing! *https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b390cuOymns*

Derek Prince now went all out to inflict more human traditions wholesale onto the body of Christ (Mark 7:8) via his extra-biblical teachings on *"curses and blessings*". His misapplication of the curses of Deuteronomy 28 onto believers is lethal. This teaching is also related to the teaching that Christians can be indwelt by the Holy Spirit and a demonic spirit simultaneously. **Much of what is written in Derek Prince's book '*Curses and Blessing*' is simply a regurgitation of false teacher/prophet Kenneth Hagin's teachings.** As a result of these false teachings, Derek Prince screwed up many more Christians lives with his faulty theology. His teachings remain a great threat to many believers to this day.

"Derek Prince died in 2003, and now his teachings are being to half the world's population through a daily radio program called Derek Prince Legacy Radio. However, it's extremely important to point out that Prince has another legacy. It's the shattered lives of those who have been spiritually abused by the destructive Shepherding Movement."
http://thewartburgwatch.com/2011/01/28/the-legacy-of-derek-prince/

CURSES AND BLESSING: A FURTHER DENIAL OF THE CROSS OF CHRIST!

The false teaching that believers remain under a generational curse due to familial or ancestral sin is completely unbiblical. Derek Prince taught that the curses in Deuteronomy 28 are applicable to born-again Christians: "*The curses as described will also touch us because of the iniquities our forefathers have committed.*" In his book *'Blessing or Curse: You Can Choose'* Prince teaches that Christians need deliverance from these generational curses. However Deuteronomy 28 concerns the Law and was specifically directed to the Israelites:

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree" (Galatians 3:13)

Even in the Old Testament, generational curses are only applicable to those that hate God:

You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am

a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. (Exodus 20:5-6)

The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression, but he will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, to the third and the fourth generation. (Numbers 14:18) (Exodus 20:5; Deuteronomy 5:9; Numbers 14:18)

The Bible says that God will by no means clear the guilty. On the cross Jesus Christ removed all our guilt and the penalty of sin. When we are saved we are pronounced **NOT GUILTY -** we are **JUSTIFIED** (Galatians 2:16), **WE HAVE RECEIVED THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD** (2 Corinthians 5:21). **TRUE BELIEVERS ARE BLESSED – THEY ARE DEFINITELY NOT CURSED** (Galatians 3:13; Ephesians 1:3). This teaching is foundational to Christianity, it is not secondary.

The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not suffer for the iniquity of the father, nor the father suffer for the iniquity of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself. (Ezekiel 18:20)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

Derek Prince: ***Charismatics Can Have The Holy Spirit And ANOTHER Spirit*** **(he praises false prophet and teacher William Branham).** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y1S4P7r9LfA

There is no instance in the New Testament of demons being cast out of believers. This teaching also denies the cross and harms believers by putting them into bondage.

O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? (Galatians 3:1-3) **Who has bewitched you?** – Paul the apostle refers to these teachings as **WITCHCRAFT!**

DEREK PRINCE WAS OPERATING IN WITCHCRAFT ACCORDING TO THE WORD OF GOD!

But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. (Galatians 1:8) **Ironically it would appear that those who deny the cross of Christ by putting believers back under the law through extrabiblical *"deliverance ministries"* and suchlike are actually the ones who are cursed!**

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. (Colossians 2:8)

Derek Prince gave the unbiblical and man-centred *"rule"*: *"Eat the fish and spit out the bones."* However, the apostles and the leaders of the early church protected the flock from the wolves and their doctrines of demons. They went all out to give believers the pure milk of the word of God, not a mixture. It is a leaders responsibility to ***correctly divide the word of truth*** (2 Timothy 2:15). ***Leaders must be faithful men who are able to teach*** (2 Timothy 2:2; 2:24; 1 Timothy 3:2) - all these qualities were demonstrably lacking in Derek Prince.

A little leaven leavens the whole lump. (Galatians 5:9)

"A little leaven—the false teaching of the Judaizers. A small portion of legalism, if it be mixed with the Gospel, corrupts its purity. To add legal ordinances and works in the least degree to justification by faith, is to undermine 'the whole.' So 'leaven' is used of false doctrine (Mt 16:12: compare Mt 13:33)". Jamieson-Fausset-Brown Bible Commentary *http://biblehub.com/galatians/5-9.htm*

Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. (Mark 9:42)

It absolutely sickens me that any church or Christian organization should sing the praises of Derek Prince, arch-deceiver, heretic and traitor of Jesus Christ.

Further Reading

Church Membership Covenants..

Original Link:
https://bewareofthewolves.blogspot.com/2014/11/derek-prince-false-teacher-wolf-in.html